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IN MEMORIAM.

PROFESSOR JAMES DEMILLE.

(Died January 28th, 1880.)

I come to wreath a chaplet for thine urn,
 I sorrowed, when they said that thou wast dead,
 To see a form, with shadowy wings disparted,
 Where thy bright lamp of genius once did burn;
 The Muse's votaries to thy shrine should turn,
 And weave fair wreaths to place above thy head.
 A stranger one would here a tribute bring,
 Who ne'er beheld thee, but who fain would sing
 Thy well-known worth and noble nature kind;
 One who left "foot-prints in the realm of mind."
 Canada's son! where thy rare genius shined,
 A luminous track, alas! is all we find.
 We mourn so soon thou gained the bounds of time,
 In manhood's vigor, in thy mental prime.

Dalhousie Gazette.

ON DARWIN.

Charles Macdonald, M. A., prof ssor of mathe-
 matics in Dalhousie college, delivered a lecture in
 Halifax the other night on 'Certain Evolution
 Doctrines.' The lecture upheld the theory of
 Darwin, and handled it in such a way that the
 editor of the *Dalhousie Gazette* says his eyes 'have
 been opened.'

Not that we necessarily think any more of Dar-
 win or his ideas. But we have learned that more
 is requisite to a just decision on any question
 than an ignorant sneer. Many suppose that to
 laugh when this philosopher's name is mentioned
 is a perfectly intelligent and complete refutation
 of his views. The lecturer has shown that these
 are worthy of serious consideration, to say the
 least.

The editor humbly tells us further what he
 thinks to have been the flaw in the argument, viz:

No satisfactory explanation was offered, or we
 may say attempted, of the important fact that
 between the lowest form of man and the highest
 specimen of the brute there is one difference which
 places the former more distinctly above the latter
 than all the gradus which occur between the
 highest and lowest species of the brute creation.
 The distinguishing link is mind, or the power by
 which we aspire, meditate and worship.

RUGBY UNION.

At a meeting of the Rugby Union Club held on
 Tuesday, the following additions were made to the
 constitution:

Members only are permitted to vote at the elec-
 tions, or meetings of the club.

A member is one who has paid the subscription
 fee.

Associate members may be admitted to the club,
 subject to the approval of the committee.

Mr. H. Blake was unanimously elected as a mem-
 ber of the committee for the third year, in place of
 Mr. Keefer, resigned.

Messrs. Gwynne and Campbell were appointed
 to present a petition, along with Messrs. McAn-
 drew and Milligan, of the Association Club, to
 the Council, to improve the club's room in the
 basement of the building.

A SUGGESTION.

I see the authorities are tearing down the big
 brick house, on 'the farm' in rear of the college.
 I also hear that the government is to give the
 Senate a certain sum for the structure which
 occupies part of the site of the new parliament
 buildings. Why not with this money and with the
 materials taken from the house and from the build-
 ing of the Society, erect us a gymnasium and
 quarters for the Society in the 'quad'?

P. P.

A SPECIAL NUMBER.

The managing committee of THE WHITE AND BLUE have resolved to hold over the publication of the last number till after the university examinations, with a view of having the class lists printed and made known to students at the earliest possible moment. This issue will be sent to the address of any of our subscribers who will be out of town if they furnish their address to the committee; and non-subscribers may likewise have copies sent them by handing in their address with ten cents to any member of the committee.

THE WHITE AND BLUE.

With the exception of the special number above referred to, this issue (No. 19) closes the first volume of our college paper. Though started without literary pretensions, we think we are justified in saying that THE WHITE AND BLUE has proved of some little service to students in affording them opportunity of making known their opinions on matters concerning their interests, and of recording the events of our college life.

That the paper has already met with the approval of undergraduates, that there is a field steadily increasing for the support of such a journal, and that there is no lack of ability among our students to conduct it, are facts sufficiently obvious to justify the present committee in recommending the Society to continue its publication. After the experience they have had, the committee also think that certain beneficial changes might be made in the constitution of the paper. Among them may be mentioned an increase of space, the assignment of special departments to the responsibility of sub-editors, and a fortnightly instead of a weekly publication. Under such an arrangement the proposal is to issue twelve numbers in the academic year.

It is gratifying to be able to state that in this, the first year of the enterprise, the receipts will meet the outlay. A few of our subscribers, however, have not yet handed in their dollar; they would greatly oblige the committee by attending to the matter at once, and thus enable them to close the account.

A STUDENTS' INSTITUTE.

That part of the communication signed 'M' in a recent number of this paper, which showed the need there is of a building adjoining the college for the various organizations of the students seems to be heartily endorsed by all. The general opinion is that the present quarters of the Society ought to be wanted pointed out in a partial manner only.

Men come here primarily to study; to attend lectures, to read, to experiment and the like. But there is something else besides college work that brings them here; there is such a thing as student life; of association with fellow-students, of a generous emulation among them in those lighter and more genial exercises which our literary and scientific societies furnish, of the cultivation of athletics, of the formation of friendships, and of the thousand and one benefits, social and intellectual, that students gather, or should gather, from

association with one another and from brushing against one another, and of participating in that sort of cosmopolitan spirit that should pervade a great university.

And just as the various items which make up college work have to be provided for so should the adjuncts of student life. Buildings are erected for lectures, professors are appointed, apparatus secured, etc.; why should not some attention be given to the other side, which though not of first moment, is still of great importance? Surely interest in college work is not to be lessened by associating with it an attractive student life. The leading colleges are beginning to realize that it is good policy to combine the two. Is a young man to be blamed for preferring one institution somewhat inferior to another as regards its teaching abilities, but which is wanting altogether in the attractions referred to?

Of the various organizations among our students that of the Literary and Scientific Society is the leading one, both as regards numbers and popularity. Without it student life at University College would have been almost a blank. But for twenty-five years it has been the centre round which the most pleasant associations of graduates and undergraduates have clung. It has furnished a fairly good reading-room, encouraged students in the preparation of literary and scientific essays, in debating, in obtaining an idea of the conduct of public meetings, provided the public with literary entertainments, and till within a year or two, with an annual conversation of an attractive character. At present it is conducting the organ recitals which have proved so successful. And all this has been done at the expense of the students themselves. But the removal of the Society's quarters from the college building has been a severe strain; the running expenses have been largely increased without corresponding benefit. Indeed, according to 'M' there has been a falling off in the number of readers in the reading-room and in the attendance at the meetings. A deficit is also promised, in fact has been forshadowed in the reduction of periodicals to be put on the files next winter. As 'M' also pointed out, the distance of the present home of the Society from the college is another drawback. True it is the Society will be likely to continue on, even if nothing is done in its interest, but it will not accomplish one half of the good it would do if it had suitable quarters. A scheme something like that suggested by 'M' is what we want. A building containing reading-room, assembly-room, gymnasium, and committee-rooms, and accommodation for the athletic clubs right behind the college.

University College has made great strides of late years in the number of her students. At the present rate of increase six years will see one thousand youths in her halls. She has nothing to fear as regards teaching ability from half a dozen rival institutions—some of them two-pence-halfpenny affairs enough—but she may be deprived of students through other colleges offering superior attractions of the kind we have dwelt on. As things now are there is a student life in Toronto ahead of anything of the kind in Canada; and it stands in need of direction. Let the College Council then, or the University Senate take the matter up and make our college as attractive in the matter of student life as it is ahead of competitors in the matter of college work. And the first step in that direction is a building of the kind we have indicated.

THE LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

The meeting last night had the largest attendance of the year, and so great was the interest taken in the various amendments that the Society did not adjourn till 3:15 this morning.

W. T. Herridge (4th year) R. Y. Thomson (4th year) were elected first and second prize speakers respectively. Walter Laidlaw (3rd year) and W. K. T. Smellie (4th year) were elected first and second prize readers respectively.

THE CANDIDATES.

The following gentlemen were nominated for the various offices of the Society for next year:—

President—Wm. Johnson, M.A., by Duncan McCol, B.A.; W. N. Ponton, M.A., by J. A. Culham, B.A.; F. F. Manley, M.A., by G. Davis, B.A.; W. H. Vandersmissen, M.A., by Mr. Manley.
First Vice-President—W. S. Milner (3rd year) by G. Davis, B.A.; G. H. Carveth (3rd year) by T. H. Gilmour.

Second Vice-President—E. P. Davis (2nd year) by J. M. Lydgate.

Recording-secretary—J. A. McAndrew (3rd year) by W. T. Herridge; I. M. Levan (3rd year) by R. Y. Thomson.

Treasurer—A. H. McDougall, (2nd year) by Mr. Milner; W. F. W. Creelman (2nd year) by Mr. Gilmour.

Curator—D. Armour (3rd year) by A. Carruthers; J. H. Brown (3rd year) by Mr. Herridge.

Corresponding-secretary—S. Mackay (3rd year) by A. C. Courtice; H. St. Q. Cayley (3rd year) by W. F. Maclean.

Secretary of Committees—E. W. Haggarty, (1st year) by W. H. Doel; A. F. Lobb (1st year) by J. H. Brown.

Councillors—Of the third year—S. Stewart, by Mr. Courtice; T. McKenzie, by G. Acheson; W. D. Gwynne, by J. McDougall; W. Laidlaw, by Mr. Smellie; T. C. Milligan, by J. B. Tyrrell. Of the second year—E. F. Langstaff, by Mr. Maclean; F. C. Wade, by W. A. Shortt; J. M. Clark, by W. J. James; D. Wishart, by A. Carruthers; W. L. Bain, by J. Ballantyne; John Squair, by W. J. James. Of the first year—A. Crichton, by A. Carruthers; G. Riddell, by G. R. Cruckshank; G. S. Wilgress, by H. S. Brennan.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

The following amendments were made to the constitution:

Art. I., sec. 1. Add the words 'and of regular students of the School of Practical Science.'

Art. II., sec. 2. Insert the word 'life' after the word 'all' in the first line.

Art. V., sec. 3. Insert the words 'by the recording-secretary' in the second line after the word 'entrance.' Sec. 7. That this section read 'On any Friday evening an open meeting may be held at the discretion of the general committee, etc.'

The several amendments proposed by the special committee as regards the House committee and the reading-room, as well as those made by Mr. Maclean on this point, were referred back to that committee for further consideration.

The proposal of Mr. Lydgate for the division of the Society into two parts for literary purposes was then taken up, and the principle of it adopted. But it was agreed to adjourn the meeting for a few days in order that members might look into the details. The motion read as follows:—

1. That the U. C. L. & S. Society be divided for literary purposes into two parts: one part to consist of the 2nd and 4th years; the other of the 1st and 3rd.

2. That Art. 5, sec. 1, read: The regular meetings of the Society shall consist of ordinary meetings, business meetings, public meetings, and the annual meeting, and shall be held at half-past seven every Friday evening, during the continuance of lectures.

3. The first meeting of every four shall be a business meeting, and the fourth a public meeting; the 2nd and 3rd meetings shall be confined to the 2nd and 4th years; and for the 1st and 3rd years there shall be held two extra meetings in each of the 2nd and 3rd weeks, on such an evening as shall be determined on by these years.

4. That Art. 5, sec. 7, be abolished.

5. That orders of business, c. i. inclusive, and p. be omitted at ordinary meetings, and be the only orders of business at business meetings, and that the minutes of each business meeting be read, etc., at the next.

6. That to the officers mentioned in Art. 3, sec. 1, be added two vice-presidents and one recording secretary: these officers to preside at the meetings of that part of the Society consisting of the 1st and 3rd year, and to be members of the 3rd year chosen for that purpose.

7. That all essayists, readers and debaters, for ordinary meetings, be chosen in turn from the number of those who have paid their fees.

CONVOCATION.

A memorial (which by the statute must contain twenty-five signatures) is in circulation, praying the Chairman of Convocation of the University of Toronto to call a meeting of that body to discuss the following questions:

(1) Compulsory attendance on lectures; (2) shortening the arts course by relegating the first-year work to the collegiate institutes; (3) publicity of the proceedings of the Senate; (4) throwing open the local examinations to males as well as females. The memorial further asks that the meeting may be called as soon as possible, in view of the forthcoming elections to the Senate.

THE BOAT CLUB.

The amount subscribed up to Thursday was \$651. The committee are preparing of three different ways under which it is proposed to carry out the scheme, and are ascertaining how many undergrads are willing to join the club if established, at a membership fee of \$5. The committee is composed of the following: J. A. Culham, B.A., C. C. McCaul, B.A., T. A. Haultain, B.A., J. C. Tibb, M.A., W. H. Oliphant, W. J. London, W. F. Maclean, H. A. Fairbank, E. W. H. Blake, G. G. S. Lindsey, D. Armour, H. T. Brock, W. K. Macdougall, W. H. Blake, H. B. Wright, B. Cronyn, H. S. Osler.

COLLEGE ITEMS.

The residence men of the fourth year are going to have a picture taken.

The vice-chancellor of the university—Chief Justice Moss—is improving.

F. HAULTAIN, B.A., '79, was in the city the other day on his way to the great Northwest.

WM. McBRIDE, B.A., '79, spends the Easter vacation of university college, London, in a tour through France, Switzerland and Italy.

It is worthy of note that the two men taking the most work in the third and second years wear number five hats.

MR. MINOT will not be able to act as one of the examiners in natural science at the coming medical and arts examinations.

OUR Rugby Union football club has sent a chal-

lenge to the Harvard club, proposing a match here next October or November.

It is understood that the new Baptist college is to be on Floor street, on the west side of the ravine. Rumor connects the name of a prominent member of that denomination with the purchase of the site and also with the erection of the building.

THE Victoria University will have its headquarters at Manchester. Owens College is the only one named in the charter. No other college will be admitted without first making out a sufficient title. Yorkshire will be adequately represented in the University Court.

THE crowded state of the room allotted to the classes in metaphysics of the second year calls for better accommodation by next term. 'Were we not yet immortals, the atmosphere of the room after a lecture to the second-year men would kill us,' said a fourth-year man in this department.

BRANTFORD *Expositor*.—Mr W. T. Herridge, of Toronto, occupied the pulpit of the Congregational Church yesterday morning and evening. The attendance was good, and the sermons really above criticism. Mr. H. is a young man who will doubtless occupy an exalted position in his chosen profession.

R. B. LESSLIE, M.A., '73, M.D., '75, has presented the museum with a collection of implements of war and of domestic use, and national costumes of Zululand, from which place he lately returned. Dr. Wilson has been adding to the Indian relics, the latest additions being a number of arrow-heads and other weapons from the old fort at Markham.

SCENE.—The library reading room. The four o'clock bell rings. A compassionate freshe, being also an intending candidate at the coming election, approaches one of the 'immortals,' who is resurrecting himself from a heap of some twenty-one volumes. The freshe has been inquiring the names of the fourth-year men, and is informed by a kind friend that this immortal's name is Mr. Kant. The would-be candidate addresses the great man with 'Mr. Kant can I have the pleasure—aw—of removing a few of your books to the counter?' The immortal (who is somewhat absent-minded) is immediately on the alert, and horrifies the young gentleman with 'Sir—I am surprised at your insensibility—I have a ticket filled for every one of these books.' The freshe hastily retires in confusion, under the impression that he has made some slight mistake.

COLLEGE WORLD.

THREE Japanese ladies are studying in Vassar. At Harvard the students are required to attend church regularly.

THE mayor of Princetown has prohibited the use of bicycles by students.

PRINCETOWN is to have a new chapel which will cost at least one hundred thousand dollars.

AMHERST has had a successful gymnasium exhibition lately.

THE idea of introducing the Rugby game at Cornell is being agitated.

THE Harvard vs. Yale race will occur this year on July 2nd, instead of June.

THE Cornell freshmen have organized their crew, which has begun training in the gym.

S. C. SMOKE, B.A., has been appointed librarian of Victoria college.

LOOSE medals appear to be pretty thick around the country.

OF all the words of youth or lass the saddest are these: 'you did not pass.' TRIFON.

EDISON will next turn his attention to the invention of an electric pan-cake machine for the young maidens of Vassar.

ELEVEN seniors at Columbia, for delinquencies at chapel, have received notices that they are no longer candidates for a degree.

THE lectures on science and history subjects at King's and Christ's College, Oxford University, are open this term for women.

HARVARD has a 'Dramatic Association,' whose regular performances are well attended and enjoyed by the professors and students.

It is probable that several colleges will enter in the next regatta of the National Association of American Oarsmen.

The Trinity Boat Club being a thing of the past, sporting men are now turning their attention to the field meetings.

TRINITY college has five thousand volumes in its library: but, according to the *Rouge et Noir*, nobody seems to know much about it.

THERE are to be two more organ recitals, the first two weeks, and the second three weeks from to-day—viz., on April 4th and 11th.

AT Queen's college the games committee is appointed in the spring, and less delay is experienced in bringing on the exercises early in the fall.

ANYBODY can wear a gown at Kingston, matriculant or matriculated student. The *Journal* wishes the restoration of the rule that only the latter may be gowned.

WHY is a lame dog like a sheet of blotting paper? Because a lame dog is a slow pup, and a slope up is an inclined plane, and an inclined plane is a sheet of blotting paper.—(Æsrus.

JULIANA (as they were going home from Pinafore)—'I think Sir Joseph looks just swell in his white pants.' Absent minded student—'And so do his sis—H'm. Yes, very.'

THE following changes have been made in the examiners:—Classics, S. A. Marling, M.A., '54, (gold medalist, classics) and Adam Johnston, B.A., '77, (gold medalist, classics) in place of Messrs. Fletcher and Kerr. In natural sciences, Prof. Martin, of John Hopkins university, in place of Mr. Minot, of Boston.

PROFESSOR.—'Hi, you fellows in there! Can't you make less noise?'

VOICE WITHIN.—'Who's out there?'

PROF.—'It's me.'

V. W.—'Who are you?'

PROF.—'Professor Thomas.'

V. W.—'You can't fool us. Thomas would have said 'It's I.' Come on boys; just once more.' And the strains of 'Lan loid, fill the flowing bowl' resounded through the house till daylight. The affair was never after alluded to by the professor.

SOME colleges intimate that they are unable to sustain boating, and at the same time give their support to base-ball and foot-ball. Although in one case out of ten this may be a sufficiently strong plea, any college of spirit and energy ought to carry on base-ball and boating associations, and the preference should, by all means, be given to these two. Now it does not seem right that this most manly and invigorating of college pastimes should thus be allowed to fall into decay. A sport which is by far the most universal, from the fact that in 1875 at Saratoga, the crews of thirteen colleges entered the race, and which in English universities takes the precedence of all others, should not be allowed to pass from the annals of college life without a strong effort to keep it up.—*Orient*.

There came a fair fresh from Winon;
Her feet she had cause to bemoan;
When she lay on her bed,
They raised up the spread
To the height of St. Peter's at Rome.

There was an old man of Trieste
Who said, 'I will pull down my vest.'
But his daughter said, 'Papa,
The action's improper,
And I hope that you'll give us a rest.'

—[Crimson.

ASSOCIATE COLLEGES.

It is a satisfaction to me to see that at last University College is becoming the centre of a number of special schools. There is the School of Practical Science in front of it, Knox College on the right, the Baptist College to be built behind it, and the Protestant Divinity School in the Yonge street avenue, to the left of it. It is in this clustering of special schools round a central college that will give University College increased strength. And whoever agrees with what I have already said must deplore the mistake that was made some years ago when the medical schools were taken to the east end of the city. Of course they had to go where the hospital was, but no reason is obvious why the hospital was located in its present position, and not in a quarter contiguous to the college. Within late years extensive additions have been made to the hospital, and so the hope of a complete concentration of higher education in Toronto must be for a considerable time deferred.

Were the schools of medicine adjacent to the College an increased stimulus would be given to many departments of the College, and among them the natural sciences especially, on account of the number of students being thus largely augmented. In the first place there would be more complete and systematic division of the labors of the professors. As things now exist there is a professor of biology and two professors of chemistry in connection with University College; at each of the two medical schools there are lecturers on chemistry, botany and zoology—that is, the same work is done in three institutions by three men, when, if the schools were centralized the work of one professor could do what it now takes three. Were this done the principle of division of labor would then come into play: we would have these several departments specialized. Instead of three professors on biology going over the same ground one would take up botany, another zoology, another sub-departments of these, just as resources allowed. Specialized work is the great feature in the study of the natural sciences to-day—as things now are, very little of this can be done at Toronto. Look what the economy would be in the way of experiments, specimens, and apparatus.

Another great advantage is that more of the medical students would take an arts course before entering medicine, or at least they would avail themselves of partial courses in the arts department. Many of our medical students set out for the back country, or for the great North-west on completing their course. Would it not be a great advantage to both themselves and the country generally if they took with them such a knowledge of mineralogy and geology as one course of Professor Chapman's lectures in these subjects would give them? And who would not be a better physician if he had had the advantage of lectures on psychology such as those of Prof. Young? But students in medicine are at present too far away to reap any of these benefits.

And there are many minor advantages to students themselves that are attendant on centralization. A wider field for choice of friendships; with a students' quarter comes better bookstores, instrument makers, and an atmosphere of study. Brilliant

professors are drawn to such centres, and, on the other hand, numerous students are attracted by the reputation of the professors and the advantages that such centralization affords. A large and efficient library would soon be a feature of this scheme.

Is it yet too late to secure this end? I think not, if the several corporations who would have to be parties to it throw no opposition in the way. In the first place the city would have to be willing to sell its property in the east end. Perhaps the Ontario government or some of the charities of this city would purchase it on a reasonable valuation. The medical schools would next have to consent to do likewise. But in doing so the Senate of the University of Toronto would have to give both the city and the schools sites in the University land adjoining the college, and the Senate should have this end in view as a likely contingency. The Ontario government would have to come forward and increase the University endowment. But surely these are all within the sphere of the possible and, let me hope, the probable.

ARGUS.

MY FIRST ORGAN RECITAL.

(BY A VERY FRESH MAN.)

To do myself justice I must inform your readers that I am a gentleman of the first year, hailing from a quiet country district, and besides, had never seen a large organ until last Saturday. On the afternoon of this eventful day, my young lady—never mind where I got her—and myself arrived at the Convocation Hall about a quarter past three. We found it well filled, except a few rows of seats in front. A kind friend informed me that these seats were the best in the hall and had therefore been reserved for the freshmen. Seconced by the entreaties of my fair friend I proceeded up the aisle and was met halfway by a gentleman with an eyeglass, who furnished us with programmes. Having got sat down I immediately fell to studying my programme, but found it interspersed with short dissertations on ancient German poetry. Not taking honour moderns this term, I felt little of interest in these notes, and soon began to look around. The first thing I noticed was the new chair in honor of the visit of the Princess Louise, which was in the form of a small bench; behind it were some extensive decorations, which I considered entirely out of place, especially a large number of pipes. I directed my young lady's attention to the chair, but she replied that she couldn't see anything except the organist's bench. Perceiving that I had perhaps made a mistake I became silent. After a time, however, thinking that she was beginning to weary, I remarked that the president and some other officer of the society would probably soon bring in the organ. My lady friend—quite unnecessarily I thought—reminded me of the fact that I was a goose, and said it was there, hoping besides that I could see it. I replied that I had not noticed it and desired her not to speak so loud, as she was attracting attention. Hearing considerable laughter in my rear I turned around to see who was making a fool of himself. Before my curiosity was satisfied, however, I was suddenly brought to the front by a loud noise, which came from the dais. After about

ten minutes' anxious thought I came to the conclusion that the recital had commenced and that all the pipes, bench, &c., were the organ. By this time I had begun to feel a little mad with myself, and immediately became very critical, beginning at the same time to take mental notes of several faults. Amongst others I noticed some botanical and natural history illustrations on the programme which were quite uncalled for. I also would suggest that the Society appoint a handsome young man to assist the lady singers to the platform and make himself generally useful. My young lady now asked me to get her an opera glass for a few moments. Not knowing very well what this was I concluded that it must be a nick-name for an eyeglass. I therefore requested a gentleman on my left to lend me his. He eyed me rather sternly and declined. I hope the WHITE AND BLUE will find out this young man's name and publish it. The Glee Club now came upon the platform and I will dismiss its performance with the remark that the alto was very weak and there was also an entire absence of soprano. This criticism is due to somebody sitting behind me whose name I didn't know. Just as the Glee Club finished someone touched me on the back and said that a gentleman wished to see me in the outer hall. On arriving there, which I did with great difficulty, I could find no person who wanted me. I was just returning when a gentleman stepped forward and shook me very heartily by the hand, saying at the same time that he was sure he could rely on my support at the coming election. I interrupted some kind inquiries about my family by asking him if he had sent for me; he said he hadn't and I with great difficulty terminated the interview. On endeavoring to re-enter the hall I found the entrance entirely blocked, and had therefore recourse to the gallery. In the space of about a quarter of an hour I had reached as far in as the centre of the door, when I was suddenly pinned against its frame. In this position I had the exquisite pleasure of seeing my chair occupied by the young gentleman who had so kindly directed me to the outside hall. I now rapidly began to feel satisfied with the recital, and fearing that my left ear would become a permanent fixture on my skull, I shortly afterwards withdrew.

BRUTUS.

Putting confidence in an engraver has twice upset the calculations of the editor of the *Queen's College Journal*. Whether the editor of the *Journal* has a beard or not, he should surely know that the promises of printers, shoemakers, engravers and weather prophets are slightly tinged with exaggeration.

A SUBSCRIBER to the college — died a few days ago, leaving five years' subscription unpaid. The editor appeared at the grave when the lid was being screwed down the last time, and put in the coffin a palm leaf fan, a linen coat, and a tannometer.

The second number of the *Rouge et Noir* is to hand: the literary side is a prominent feature.

HARVARD men are as soft on Mary Anderson, as certain nameless students were on Neilson. A report is going the rounds that at a recent performance in Boston, the eight members of the boat crew appeared on the stage as supers in order to be near the finely-figured Mary.